

Lorraine Arriola Shields, MN, RNC-NIC, NNP

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Lorraine Shields has been a Neonatal Nurse for 30 years. She has worked as a bedside Nurse, a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, and a NICU Clinical Nurse Specialist.

At Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System, she was instrumental in bringing a Developmental Care Training Program to the NICU and in the development of an Infant Driven Feeding Program for the NICU. Since its inception one year ago, she has been the Co-coordinator of the NICU Simulation Lab at Salinas. In this capacity, she has been involved in the development of the Intubator Training Program and in the Simulation training for all NICU staff.

Throughout her career, Ms Shields has worked at several level III NICU's in Southern California as a neonatal nurse. Before coming to Salinas, she worked as a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner at the Los Angeles County USC Medical Center NICU, was a NICU Clinical Nurse Specialist at Methodist Hospital in Arcadia CA and at San Gabriel Valley Medical Center in San Gabriel CA.

Ms. Shields holds a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles.

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